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SUBJECT: EXCERPTS FROM EA/PRCM WEEKLY STATUS REPORT

1. PRC PRESS IN HONG KONG ON THE TAIWAN QUESTION

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A PRC-CONTROLLED HONG KONG PAPER, THE "HSIN WAN PAO",
IMPLICITLY CRITICIZED DEMOCRATIC PRESIDENTIAL NOMINEE
JIMMY CARTER FOR A "GO-SLOW" ATTITUDE TOWARD NORMALIZATION
AND FOR STATEMENTS REMINISCENT OF A "ONE CHINA, ONE TAIWAN"
POSITION. THE ARTICLE COMPARED JAPANESE FOREIGN MINISTER
MIYAZAWA'S ALLEGED COMMENT THAT SINO-US RELATIONS AND THE
PRESENT SITUATION IN TAIWAN SHOULD NOT CHANGE ABRUPTLY
WITH CARTER'S FAILURE TO SET A DATE FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT
OF "ALL-ROUND" RELATIONS WITH THE PRC. IT CONCLUDED THAT
MIYAZAWA IS "SPEAKING IN CARTER'S WORDS."

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THE "HSIN WAN PAO" ARTICLE IS ALSO NOTEWORTHY FOR ITS

TREATMENT OF VARIOUS "MODES" OF NORMALIZATION. IT CITED THREE THAT CERTAIN PEOPLE IN THE US HAVE SUGGESTED:

-- THE JAPANESE MODE, WHICH IS DEFINED AS "SEVERING DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS BUT MAINTAINING ECONOMIC AND CULTURAL RELATIONS, AND RETAINING IN ESSENCE POLITICAL RELATIONS IN AN UNOFFICIAL MANNER;"

-- THE GERMAN MODE, WHICH REDUCES TO "ONE CHINA, TWO GOVERNMENTS;" AND

-- THE CANADIAN MODE: "RECOGNIZING PEKING AND AT THE SAME TIME CONTINUING TRADE RELATIONS WITH TAIWAN WITHOUT INTERFERING WITH THE TAIWAN ISSUE. NON-INTERFERENCE IS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE SPIRIT OF THE SHANGHAI COMMUNIQUE."

THE ARTICLE STATES THAT CARTER AT ONE TIME WAS RUMORED TO BE LEANING TOWARD THE JAPANESE AND CANADIAN MODES, BUT HIS CALL FOR A "GUARANTEE" THAT TAIWAN WOULD NOT BE "CONQUERED MILITARILY" AND "CONTROLLED" POLITICALLY IS NEITHER ONE NOR THE OTHER.

2. PERSONNEL AND VISITORS (UNCLASSIFIED)

AL ROMBERG HAS BEEN IN THE OFFICE THIS WEEK PREPARING FOR HIS ASSIGNMENT TO THE NSC. GENE MARTIN, OUR PPO IN HONG KONG, IS ALSO HERE FOR SEVERAL DAYS OF CONSULTATIONS BEFORE RETURNING TO HONG KONG ON COMPLETION OF HIS HOME LEAVE.

OTHER ITEMS COVERED:

1. THE CHINESE EARTHQUAKE (UNCLASSIFIED)

2. PLA ANNIVERSARY BANQUET CANCELLED (LIMITED OFFICIAL USE)
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